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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PGOV, PN

SUBJECT: PANAMA CANAL TREATY

BEGIN QUOTE:

DEAR GEORGE:

I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT AMBASSADORS BUNKER AND
LINOWITZ HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE WITH THE
GOVERNMENT OF PANAMA ON TWO TREATIES WHICH WILL GUARANTEE
THAT THE PANAMA CANAL WILL CONTINUE TO BE OPERATED EFFIC-
IENTLY AND WILL REMAIN OPEN TO ALL SHIPS ON A NON-DISCRIMI-
NATORY BASIS.

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THE BASIC PANAMA CANAL TREATY GIVES THE U.S. PRIMARY
RESPONSIBILITY FOR CANAL OPERATIONS AND DEFENSE UNTIL
DECEMBER 31, 1999.

THERE IS A SEPARATE TREATY ON THE NEUTRALITY OF THE PANAMA
CANAL WHICH EXTENDS BEYOND THE YEAR 2000 AND GIVES THE U.S.
THE RIGHT TO TAKE WHATEVER ACTION IS NECESSARY TO GUARAN-

TEE THE CANAL'S NEUTRALITY.

DIFFICULT FINANCIAL NEGOTIATIONS HAVE PRODUCED A FAIR AND

EQUITABLE PACKAGE WHICH WILL NOT INVOLVE CONGRESSIONAL
APPROPRIATIONS. ALL PAYMENTS TO PANAMA WILL COME FROM
TOLL REVENUES (30 CENTS PER CANAL TON PLUS \$10 MILLION).
ADDITIONALLY, THE U.S. WILL SEEK TO PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY
\$295 MILLION IN LOANS AND GUARANTEES FOR PANAMA'S ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT. ALTHOUGH PANAMA WILL ASSUME GENERAL TERRI-
TORIAL JURISDICTION OVER THE PRESENT CANAL ZONE, THE U.S.
WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE ACCESS TO, AND THE RIGHTS TO USE
ALL LAND AND WATER AREAS NECESSARY FOR THE OPERATION OF
THE CANAL. ADDITIONAL DETAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO YOU
UPON YOUR RETURN.

I HOPE WE CAN WORK WITH YOU TO ASSURE THE SUCCESS OF
THESE HISTORIC TREATIES.

BEST WISHES FOR A SAFE AND USEFUL TRIP.

WARREN CHRISTOPHER, ACTING SECRETARY.
END QUOTE.
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